

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of John F. Smolko,
Jr. to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources
Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201(a), provides for an
“independent and separate administrative board of conservation for game, fish and wildlife of
the state...., to be known and referred to as the wildlife resources commission...., to consist of
the commissioner of environment and conservation, the commissioner of agriculture and nine
(9) citizens of the state, which citizens shall be well informed on the subject of the conservation
of game animals, birds and fish within the state, and shall be appointed by the governor....”, and

WHEREAS, a vacancy on the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission exists in
Wildlife District 9 which is made up in part by Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, John F. Smolko has his principal place of residence in Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Governor Don Sundquist has determined to appoint John F. Smolko to the
open seat on the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission for District 9 for one (1) term,
which expires March 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smolko is an avid sportsman and outdoorsman and is well informed on
the subject of the conservation of game animals, birds and fish within the State of Tennessee;
and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smolko is a successful businessman and currently serves as Director of
Community Affairs and as Director of the Great Outdoors Sporting and Wildlife Festival for
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smolko is a graduate of Florida State University with a Bachelor of
Science in Geology and with post-graduate studies in geology and oceanography; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smolko is a member of the American Society of Association Executives, Ducks Unlimited, Florida State University Alumni Association, International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Memphis Area Chamber of Commerce, Memphis Zoological Society and the Wolf River Conservancy; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201(b)(1), provides that each commissioner appointed to the Wildlife Resources Commission "shall" be confirmed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly prior to beginning his term of office; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That this General Assembly, by Joint Resolution, does hereby confirm the appointment of John F. Smolko to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission, Wildlife District 9, said term to expire on March 1, 2001.